Youth's Department.

Conducted by Lottie Holsinger.

A little Girl's Troubles.

I thought when I'd learned my letters.
That all of my troubles were done,
But I found myself much mistaken
They had only just begun.
Learning to read was awful
But nothing like learning to write,
I'd be sorry to have you tell it,
But my copybook is a sight.

The ink gets over my fingers,
The pen cuts all sorts of shines,
And wont do at all as I bid it;
The letters wont stay on the lines,
But go up and down and all over
As though they were dancing a jig,
They are there in all shapes and sizes,
Medium, little and big.

The tails of the g's are so contrary,
The handles get on the wrong side
Of the d's and the k's and the b's,
Though I certainly tried and tried
To make them just right, it is dreadful,
I really don't know what to do.
I am getting almost distracted
My teacher says so too.

There'd be some comfort in learning
If one could get through, instead
Of that, there are books awaiting
Quite enough to craze my head;
There's the multiplication table,
And grammar, and oh, dear me,
There is no good place for stopping
When once has begun I see.

My teacher says little by little
To the mountain top we climb.
It isn't all done in a minute
But only a step at a time
She says that all her scholars,
All the wise and learned men
Had each to begin as I did,
If that's so where is my pen.

Our Scripture Lesson For April 13th.

Read Acts 19: 1-7

In our last lesson, you remember, Paul promised to return to Ephesus. While Apollos was teaching in Corinth, Paul leaves Phrygia and Galatia, where he had been strengthening the disciples of Christ, and now comes to Ephesus. It was necessary that Paul should encourage those people in Phrygia and Galatia, just as it is necessary that our preachers should go among our people and teach them the wisdom of God, so that they can not be led away from the truth by wicked sayings and bad people. Paul first asked the Ephesians if they had received the Holy Ghost since they believed, and they answered that they had not heard of a Holy Ghost. Then Paul asked, unto what then had they been baptized? they answered; unto John's baptizm. Paul tells them John's baptizm was of repentence, and further taught them the new commission, believe and be baptised. These men were baptised and Paul laid his hands upon them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

Our lesson is a plain one, yet it deserves much study for we may not understand all. Why should men be baptized twice? One paptism is enough for us. They did not, then, have the truth as we have now. We have been taught Repentance and Faith, and when we believe we are ready for baptism, and that baptism is enough forever. Sometimes young people think that if they join the church, that is all they should do to become christians. Baptism is the first step but not half the work. The Holy Ghost (in the new translation is Holy Spirit) is a spirit sent from God to abide in the hearts of men; something that is a very part of God's self. John, Paul and Apollos each had their work and they did it well. They were satisfied with the part assigned them and did what they could. So should we. If there is anything for us to do, let us go to work, do our best and not be dissatisfied because some one else has some work that we would like to have. Let us be content to do what we can.

In many ways our letters are improving, but still they can be made better. We should not say the same things every time we write. If we want our letters to sound as though we wrote them, they must be a little different from the other letters. We can tell about the country in which we live. Many of us live on farms, some in towns and cities; we can tell what we see and what we are doing to make our letters interesting to every one.

Stella is the first one to earn Aunt Laura's picture. We thank her for the subscriber and money sent us, also for the promise to try to do more. Stella is right. That was a good act of that boy to purchase a good paper for his mother.

We must not forget to ask and answer questions, in every way try to improve, and before long we will await the coming of our EVANGELIST, as the coming of a dear friend.

I will, for the first time, write a few lines for the EVANGELIST. I like to read the letters from the little folks. I am eleven years old. Our school closes the 29th of February. I went two terms to the same teacher and never missed one day. I have two sisters and two brothers all older than I am. I send you a piece of poetry which I copied from my scrap-book, about a little girl's troubles. LINA D. HICKEY.

Whitesville, Mo.

Dear Editor; I fulfil the wish of Aunt Laura by sending in my subscriber and two dollars. I do not want to be behind the older ones getting the picture. This paper was paid for by a ladie's son, who works by the month. Is he not a good boy to get a good paper for this mother? I hope I will be able to do more for you in such a good cause. Why do we not hear from our teachers, are they too busy?

E. STELLA SSTERLING.

Masontown, Pa.

I wrote a letter a few weeks ago to you, and was glad to see it in the EVANGELIST. Our school was out Mar. 11th, but will commence again next Monday. I have just been visiting my cousin, and when I came home I read those Bible questions asked by Lewis Bauman, and the puzzle by Charlie Horner. I will ask some questions and see who will answer them. Who was it that lay at the rich man's gate and the dogs came and licked his sores? Who was it that died and lay in the grave four days and the Lord brought him to life again? MAMIE FRANTZ.

Ocoya, Ill.

I live in Waterloo with my parents and one sister and brother. The roads are very bad here at present, and the town is in great excitement about the river, but it fell about one foot last night, but still it is very high. The answer to Charlie Horner's word puzzle is "In God we trust." St. John was banished to the isle of Patmos, where he wrote the Revelations. Jesus wept when he came near Jerusalem.

What verse in the Bible has all the letters in but one, and what is that one? What is the longest verse in the Old Testament? Which is the shortest in the New Testament?

Waterloo, Iowa.

This is the letter mentioned last week. Hope by seeing it in print the little boy who wrote it will send us his name, and get better acquainted with us. His answers are correct.

You wanted to know what I learned in my Christmas present. Well, I learned that Jesus loves the children, even me, and by loving him and being good, we are better prepared for the duties and the pleasures of this life, and become fully prepared for heaven. The Brethren are going to organize a Sunday school near here next Sunday, and hope I may be able to attend, and learn still more about Jesus and His love. Will write to you occasionally about the progress of our school. I hope we will have a good school.

LEWIS BAUMAN.

Morrell, Kansas.

Lewis is prompt in answering my questions. And that is something to learn. If we always remembered that "Jesus loves even me," and how grieved he is when we do anything wrong, it would keep us from doing many rude acts, and saying naughty things. I am glad you will have an opportunity to attend Sunday school so soon, for I think Lewis would be a good scholar. We will be glad to hear from you and of the Sunday school.

As I was among the first of the little folks to write, I do not want to get behind. Our school has closed, and we had a nice time. Our Sunday school will begin on Easter. We live a mile and a half from the Brethren church.

BERTHA BINKLEY.

We are glad to hear from Bertha again. Hope she will enjoy the Sunday school. Bertha answered Lewis Bauman's questions correctly. I am glad so many looked up the questions. If one question would get twenty answers I would not get tired, for it would prove to me that you were interested. Find the answers to the questions and the first one that comes will get printed.

I am ten years old I went to school this winter. I like my teacher; his name is Clinton Pane. Our school was out last month. We had an exhibition and had a nice time. I spoke two pieces. There will be two weeks vacation. I don't go to Sabbath school, but I can not help it, we do not have any in the winter. My grandpa Yagel is here from Indiana. My grandma Martin is sick; she had the lung fever, but is getting better. My ma belongs to the Brethren church, but my pa does not. We take the EVANGELIST.

IDA A. YAGEL.

Deer Lick, O.

You are fortunate in having your grandparents with you. I hope your grandma will get well soon. Your Sunday school may reorganize in the summer and then you can attend.

I am eight years old and have two brothers, one eleven, and the other three years old. I was born in Pennsylvania, and moved to this place last fall. I would like it very well here if I only did no have so far to go to school. Our school closed in March, and we all had a nice time the last day. My dear cousin, Katie Poister, is sick with inflamatory rheumatism. I hope she will get well again. She is a member of the Brethren church, so are my parents. SADIE E. POISTER.

Abilene, Kans.

We are very sorry, Sadie, that your cousin has rheumatism, and join you in hoping that she may get well again. Glad that you like your new home. Of course to have your school nearer would be pleasant in rough weather, but a long walk to and from school is always good for your health. The question you answer was answered last week.

Having read the letters in the Young Folk's department, I would like to write one. I am eight years old. I have two litlittle brothers, one is three years and the other is four months old. I like to go to school, but am glad that we have none now. My teacher's name is Albert P. Reed, a student from Ashland College. I went to Sabbath school last summer; but we have none organized yet this spring. My parents belong to the Brethren church. My name is Estelle G., but I do not write my name that way. E. GERTIE SETTY.

Elmville, Ohio.

I think I understand you, Gertie; you like to go to school but when you have vacation you can enjoy it the more feeling that it prepares you for the next term of school. Hope you may live to enjoy many terms of school and also many vacations.

Mamie Frantz answered the questions that were answered last week. Your answers were correct, Mamie, but we will not have them published twice. Answer the next promptly and they will be published. It was nice that you could spend part of your vacation with your cousin. I hope you will enjoy your next term of school and be able to attend every day.

The poem sent by Lina Hicky will be enjoyed by the little folks, and many older ones could get a true lesson from it. Lena was brave to attend school every day through the winter months. But perhaps she does not have so much cold as we have. How is it, Lena.

Short Catechism on Alcohol.

Question.—What is alcohol?

Answer.—A liquid poison produced by the decay of vegetable matter.

Q.—What are beverages?

A.—Liquids for drinking purposes.

Q.—What are alcoholic beverages?

A.—Liquids for drinking purposes containing a greater or less proportion of alcohol.

Q.—Name the more common of these beverages.

A.—Brandy, rum, gin, whiskey, ale, wine and beer.

Q—What constitutes the "liquor business"?

A.—The importation, manufacture, sale, and use of alcoholic beverages by virtue of license or otherwise.

Q.—What may be truthfully said of the liquor business?

A.—That it always has, is, and always will be, if suffered to exist, an unmixed and unmitigated curse.

Q.—Has it ever produced any real good in the experience o the race?

A.—A thousand times NO!

Q.—Has it ever produced any evil in the experience of the race?

A.—Yes; its mission is shown to be the physical, mental, moral, and spiritual destruction of human life, temporal and eternal. God alone can comprehend and estimate its disastrous effects.

Q.—If, then, the liquor business produces evil, and only evil, what attitude should be maintained toward it by all who would enoble the race and obey and honor God?

A.—Their attitude should be that of radical, uncompromising antagonism, best expressed in the words of him who heralded the coming of Christ and his Gospel: "And now also the ax is laid unto the root of the trees; therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire."—*J. W. Lawton.*

RECONCILED.

During the last war, when the prison at Andersonville was crowded with sick and starving men, and the days were long and filled with suffering, the nights bringing no rest or peace there was one prisoner to whom an exchange came. That meant that he might go back to his home in the North, might realize the the dreams of many weary months. He pressed the document to his bosom, but at that moment he caught sight of one of his fellow-prisoners. Instantly he said:

"You have a wife and children; I have none. Take this exchange and go to your family. I can stand it a little longer."

And so he stayed, and sent the other away. After a time another exchange came, and the same prisoner walked up to one who was almost delirious in the longing to see his dear ones and said:

"Here, brother, take my place. I can wait a little longer.",

And so he stayed, and the other went home. A third offer of release came while he was bending over a sick comrade, to whom he had ministered for many weeks. The invalid looked up and said:

"You are going away. If you leave me I shall die. You are my only hope."

"Well," said the other, "I won't leave you. You shall go in my place. I will stay. I can stand it a little longer."

And so this man stayed again.

It was the writer's privilege recently to hear this man telling his experiences of Andersonville. Not a word against the Southern people; indeed he was careful to to say that they, as a people, were brave, chivalrous, and kind-hearted. He was careful to lay the blame only on those to whom it belonged.

In a recent meeting of Christian workers one of the number filled with emotion, several times broke out in hearty "Amens." Some one asked the presiding officer to keep him quiet. Instantly the leader was on his feet saying:

"I am requested to keep brother Smith quiet."

He then related the incidents to which we have referred, for this man, Smith, was the hero of Andersonville Prison.

"Now," said the leader "does any one object to brother Smith's saying Amen?" And the whole audience broke out into hearty applause.

Mr. Smith came forward before the great assemblage and said, as he took another present by the hand:

This is Captain Lovelace, of Marion Alabama, the very man who captured me and put me in prison. We were fighting on opposite sides then. He is now in the Chrstian Army. We are on the same side at last. I want you to sing, 'Blest be the tie that binds.'"

And so the two soldiers stood holding each other by the hand, while was sung that noble hymn which must have been heard all over heaven.—*Advance.*

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Rochester	12 19pm	9 02	7 00	2 30pm
Hunt'ton	1 50	10 25	8 30	5 50
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Lima	5 10	1 02am	6 00am	12 45pm
Kenton	6 11	1 57	7 00	4 20
Marion	7 10	2 50	8 00	6 20
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Lima	10 10	8 28	12 05am	12 02
Decatur	5 00am		1 44	1 35pm
Hunt'ton	7 10		2 50	2 40
" "	6 40	6 35am	2 55	2 55
Rochester	9 55	8 10am	4 19	4 15
Crown P	3 32pm	10 30	6 33	6 30
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STATIONS.	No 4	No 6	No 8	No 12
	1 39	9 00am	9 49pm	4 57am
Akron	3 11	12 05pm	11 43	6 47
Kent	3 35	12 55	12 05am	7 30
Ravenna	3 45		12 17	7 42
Arrive.				
Leavitsbrg	4 20		12 55	8 25
Cleveland	6 30			10 20
Youngstwn	5 00		1 50	9 30
Pittsburg	8 02		5 50	12 45pm
Warren Dp	4 32		1 12	8 42am
Greenville.	5 40		2 30	9 55
Arrive.				
Meadville	6 30		3 25	10 40
Leave				
Meadville	6 45		3 35	11 10
Union City	7 38		4 37	12 12pm
Corry	7 58		5 00	12 40
Jamestow	8 47		5 57	1 35
Arrive				
Salamanca	9 45		7 10	2 40
Buffalo			10 20	6 50
Rochester			1 58pm	9 20
Elmira	2 51am		1 40	9 05
Bingamptn	4 30		3 19	11 05
Albany	2 20pm			6 00am
Boston				2 45pm
New York	11 10am		10 10pm	6 50am
Boston			6	3 55pm

TRAINS WESTWARD.

STATIONS.	No 1	No 3	No 5	No 11
Leave				
Ashland	8 00am	8 08pm	2 07pm	5 15pm
Mansfield	8 35	8 55	2 37	6 30
Arrive				
Chicago		8 00am		
Leave				
Galion	9 15	9 35pm	3 10	7 30
Marion	9 56	10 18	3 45	
Arrive				
Chicago	8 20pm	8 21am		
Leave				
Urbana	12 03	1 00am	5 08	
Springfield	12 33	1 50	5 32	
Arrive				
Dayton	1 20	3 10	6 10	
Cincinnati	3 40	12 30	8 15	
Louisville	11 40	2 35pm	6 20am	
St Louisa	7 20am	6 30	8 40	

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